

Law Student Opportunities

Criminal Law Division

Appeals, Writs and Trials Section

Fresno



The California Department of Justice, Office of the Attorney General, Criminal Law Division, Appeals, Writs and Trials Section ("Fresno-AWT") in Fresno, is currently recruiting students for its 2006 Summer Honors Program. Deputy Attorneys General in AWT represent the People of California in post-conviction proceedings. Students will draft Respondent's Briefs that are filed in the California Court of Appeal for the Fifth Appellate District in appeals from felony convictions. This involves reviewing the record on appeal, conducting research, analyzing legal issues, and developing arguments. The student team is supervised by a deputy, and all student briefs are reviewed and critiqued. Students will manage their own caseload. Appeals involve issues of criminal law and procedure, including constitutional, evidentiary, and instructional issues. Students who are certified by the California State Bar may have the opportunity to argue before the California Court of Appeal. Paid and/or Work-Study positions may be available.

WHO MAY APPLY:

For Summer 2006 Summer Honors Program: 2Ls may apply who have had criminal law, evidence, criminal procedure and constitutional law. For Spring 2006 Clinical program: 2Ls or 3Ls may apply who have requisite coursework completed. Applicants for the Fresno-AWT program must have excellent writing, research, and analytical skills.

How to Apply:

Submit a cover letter, resume, transcript (unofficial is acceptable), short (3-5 pages) writing sample and 2-3 references to:

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